GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
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Demand and Supply of Dairy Products
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is an agency to ensure proper arrangements for demand and supply of dairy products as in the case of agriculture produces like wheat, gram, rice and pulses;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is a scheme launched by the Government to encourage export of dairy products like Skimmed Milk Powder (SMP) and butter;

(d) whether the milk producers are getting prices of milk on competitive rates, if so, whether any inquiry has been conducted by the Government in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to promote the production of milk and milk products in the country?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a) No Madam.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above

(c) Foreign Trade Policy of India (FTP 2015-20) includes a scheme namely Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS) which is aimed at increasing India's exports. The scheme provides incentive in the form of 5% duty credit of the realized FOB value (in free foreign exchange) to the exporter of milk fat products [butter and melted butter (ghee)] and cheese products (processed cheese and other cheeses). Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) also provides assistance to its registered exporters including the exporters of dairy and dairy products for promoting the export of dairy and dairy products, under the Agriculture Export Promotion Plan Scheme.

(d) As per the assessment made by National Dairy Development Board (NDDB), the dairy cooperatives have ensured remunerative competitive prices for milk to the producers. The Statement indicating State-wise prices of cow, buffalo and mixed milk during February 2017 is annexed.

(e) The Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries is implementing following dairy development schemes to promote production of milk and milk products in the country:

1. National Dairy Plan (Phase-I).
2. National Programme for Bovine Breeding and Dairy Development.
3. Dairy Entrepreneurship Development Scheme.

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